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Following is text of memorandum for delivery to British, French and German Governments concerning unresolved points noted in report Four Power Working Group on German Reunification of July 18.

### BEGIN TEXT

The Department of State has examined the report of the Four Power Working Group on German Reunification of July 18, 1958 as well as the report made by the Working Group to the NATO Committee on European Security. The Department believes that the Outline Plan prepared by the Working Group would be generally satisfactory as a framework for the presentation of the Western position on German reunification and European security at a possible Summit conference, provided that the unresolved points noted by the Working Group were resolved. The Department observes that certain of these points are of substantial import-

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ance. It considers that it would be essential that agreement on these matters be reached prior to any meeting with the Soviet Government at which the subject of Germany could be discussed.

The Department assumes that the differences of position on the Outline Plan reported by the Working Group do not affect the positions already taken by the Western Powers in the agenda proposals submitted to the Soviet Foreign Ministers on May 28, 1958 on behalf of the United States, United Kingdom and French Governments or the instructions transmitted to the Ambassadors of the Three Powers in Moscow on May 31 commenting on the Soviet Agenda proposals.

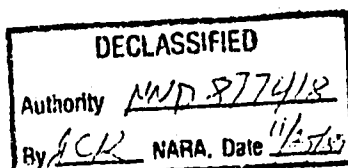
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Embassy Bonn in presenting this memorandum should orally request the FedRep to confirm the correctness of the assumption contained second paragraph memorandum.

Embassies London and Paris in presenting memorandum should tell British and French we are not disposed to press for resolution of these issues unless there is some prospect of serious discussion or negotiation with Soviets on German problem and prefer to leave issues for discussion until we are somewhat clearer on where we are going with regard Summit meeting or talks on German problem in Four-Power Group  
~~Committee~~ as proposed by FedRep. and supported by Three Western Powers.

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